

**Question for written answer E-004467/2015**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Observations by the European Environment Agency on the circular economy

The European Environment State and Outlook 2015 report published recently by the European Environment Agency highlights the vital importance of the circular economy at the very moment when the new Commission has withdrawn the package in question.

The package on the circular economy set a recycling target for 2030 of 7 % for municipal waste and 80 % for packaging such as glass, paper, metal and plastic.

The report insists on the need for waste management to 'change radically' in order to 'phase out completely the landfilling of recyclable or recoverable waste'. This sounds like a call for the Commission to act, given that it has promised to propose a new 'more ambitious' text by the end of the year.

In view of the above, how does the Commission intend to take specific account of the observations of the European Environment Agency in its new 'more ambitious' proposal?